REMARKS:

Claims 21-65 are cancelled with this response. Claims 1-20 were previously cancelled.

The Office Action of February 2005 rejected the claimed invention under 35 U.S.C. Section 102(b) as being anticipated by Nakanura (USP 5,548,789). The teaching of Nakanura separates properties from messages when messages exceed a certain size. Nakanura teaches no other mechanism by which separation of properties from e-mails occurs.

Applicant submits Claim 66 is distinguishable in that Nakanura does not disclose steps of "storing linking information …" nor the step of:

> "wherein the header information fields include at least all of the fields in a group consisting of a recipient field, a sender field, a copied recipient field, and a message subject field."

Given the restriction requirement, Applicant submits the following visual aid in order to assist the Examiner is seeing the relationship between new Claim 66 and the original Claim 1:

1. A method for receiving ~~e-mails, said e-mail including a header and a message body,~~ the method comprising ~~the steps of~~:
 receiving a plurality of e-mails, including a first e-mail;
 for at least the first e-mail, performing steps comprising:
  separating ~~said~~ a first e-mail header from ~~said~~ a first e-mail message body;
  storing said first e-mail message body in a first e-mail message body field;
  separating information contained in said first e-mail header into a plurality of first e-mail header information ~~fields~~ items;
  storing said plurality of first e-mail header information ~~fields~~ items in a plurality of corresponding header information fields;
  ~~linking~~ creating a link between (i) information provided with at least one of said plurality of first e-mail header information fields, (ii) ~~with~~ information provided with at least a second of said plurality of first e-mail header information fields, ~~or~~ and (iii) the first e-mail message body stored in a first e-mail message body field; and
  ~~creating a plurality of relationship fields for~~ storing linking information sufficient to identify said link between said at least one information provided with said first e-mail header information field, information provided with ~~and~~ said at least first e-mail second header information field ~~or~~ and first e-mail message body field;
 wherein the header information fields include at least all of the fields in a group consisting of a recipient field, a sender field, a copied recipient field, and a message subject field.

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the present application as amended herein.

If there are any additional charges, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 50-1914.

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